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Dear US Copyright Office,

I am writing in support of the “*Exemption to Prohibition on Circumvention of Copyright Protection Systems for Access Control Technologies*” and to express that “jailbreaking” (aka. “rooting”) of electronic devices be permanently considered a legal activity on property owned by a user.

Once property (e.g. Mobile Phone, Tablet, or Gaming Console) is purchased in full, the use of the device should be solely within the owner's control. By restricting the property owners ability to use a device in whatever manner they choose is both a gross violation of freedom of expression as well as a step towards similar unfavorable actions by device manufacturers.

A traditional example of this would be to sell a composition notebook, but to make any contents (notes) written in this notebook other than English be considered illegal. Once the user purchases the notebook, they may write in any language they wish, or draw, color, place stickers on, etc. The notebook manufacturer cannot dictate how a consumer uses said notebook and likewise electronic device manufacturer should not be able to dictate how a consumer uses their product.

While manufacturers should not be required to provide support for consumers to use a device as they wish, the use of a device once purchased should be left to the consumer. In the event further Intellectual Property infringement were to occur (i.e. as re-distribution of licensed software), such an event should be handled separately and those violating IP laws should be held accountable for that activity.

Respectfully,

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